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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title of the invention, please insert

-- This application is a 371 application of PCT/JP99/04199 filed August 4, 1999.--

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the following claims as indicated:

4(amended). A wavelength conversion method of performing wavelength conversion by use of a nonlinear optical crystal according to claim 1.

5(amended). A wavelength conversion element having a construction made of a nonlinear optical crystal according to claim